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HOW MUCH  
I LOVE YOU



— *in the* —  
AUTUMN

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To Lydia,  
S.McB.

For the mice,  
Julian and Mami,  
A.J.

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Little Nutbrown Hare  
and Big Nutbrown Hare went out  
in the autumn wind.



On a windy day  
the leaves are blowing.

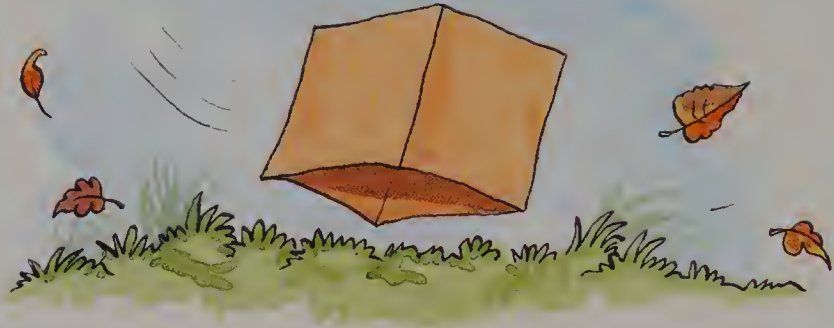






They chased after falling leaves  
until Big Nutbrown Hare  
could chase no more.

“I have to have a rest!” he said.



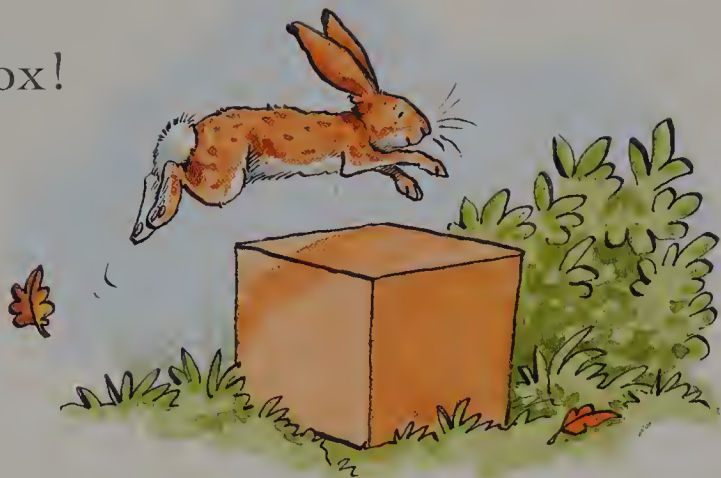
Then a big brown box came rolling  
by, blown by the autumn wind.

Little Nutbrown Hare caught  
up with the box when it got  
stuck in a bush.



What a fine big box!

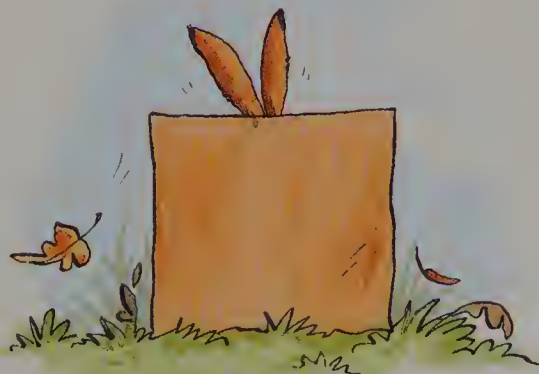
It was great for  
jumping over ...



jumping on ...



and jumping in.

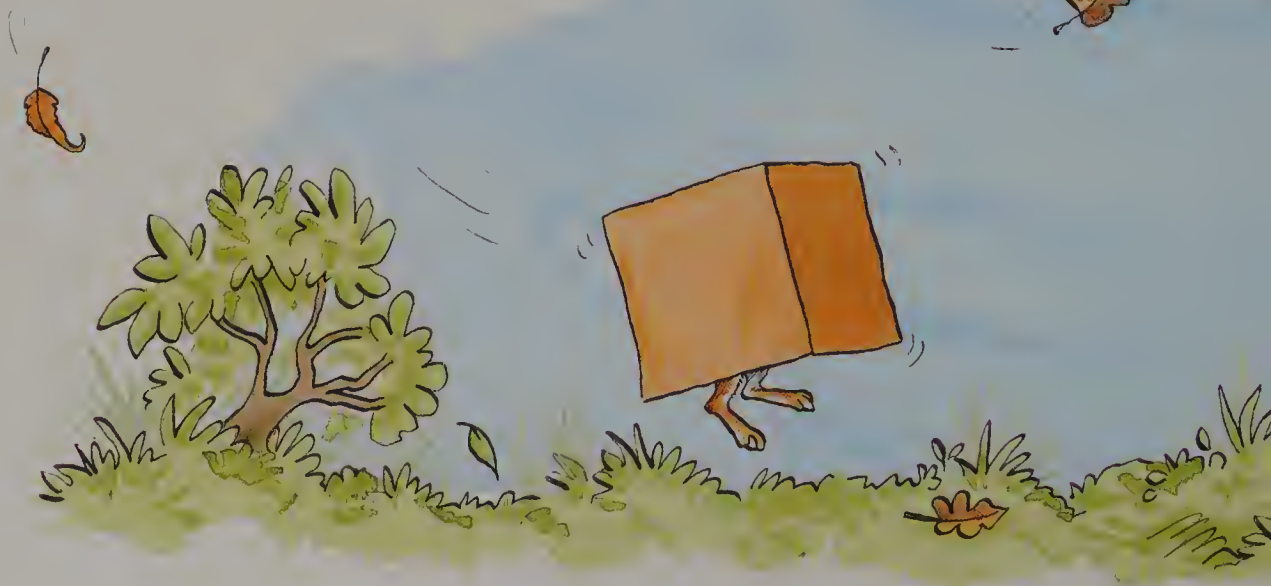


Big Nutbrown Hare was resting  
under a tree when a box  
appeared in front of him.

A big brown box.

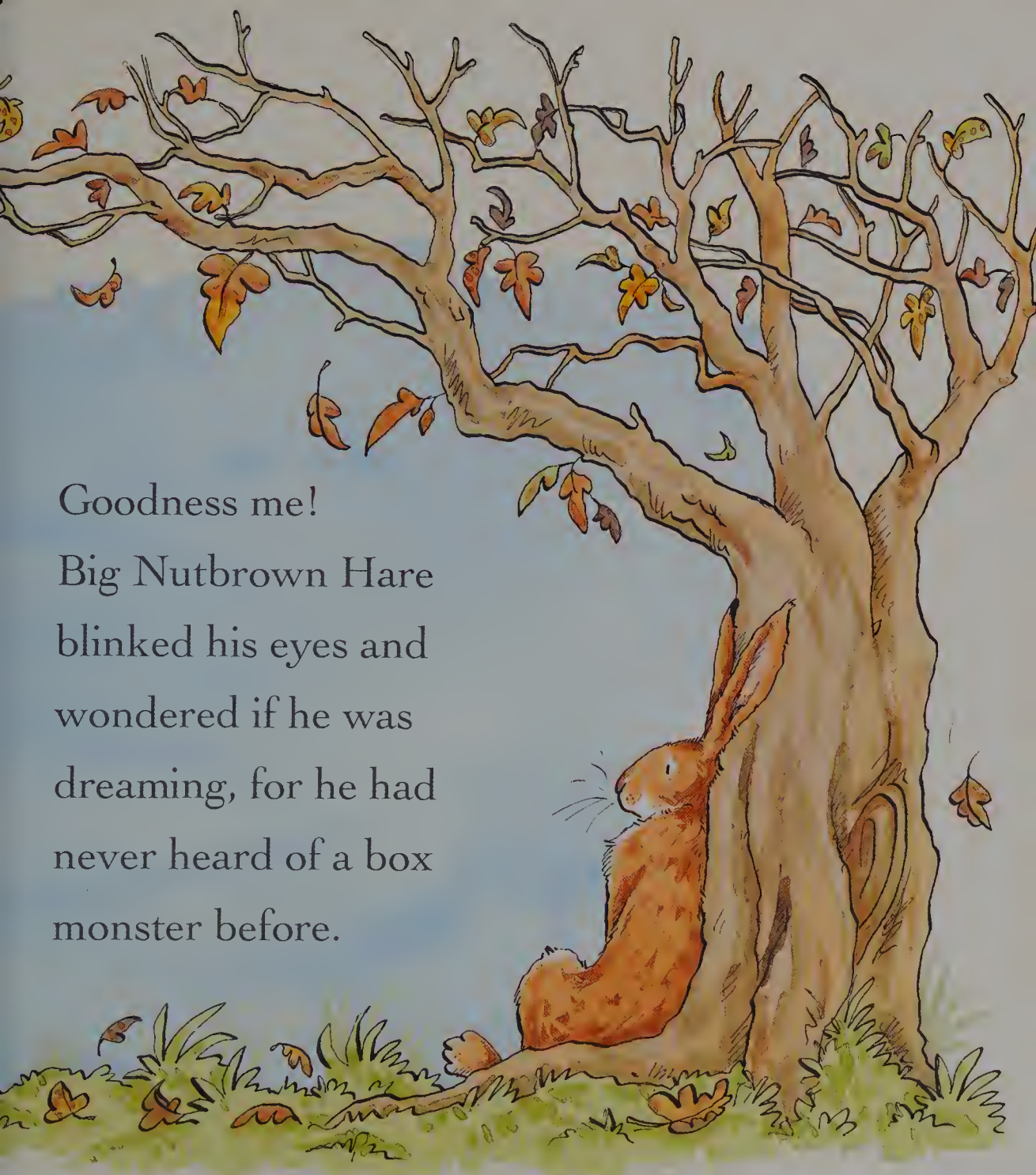
It gave one hop and then  
stood absolutely still.

“I’m a box monster!”  
shouted the box.





Goodness me!  
Big Nutbrown Hare  
blinked his eyes and  
wondered if he was  
dreaming, for he had  
never heard of a box  
monster before.



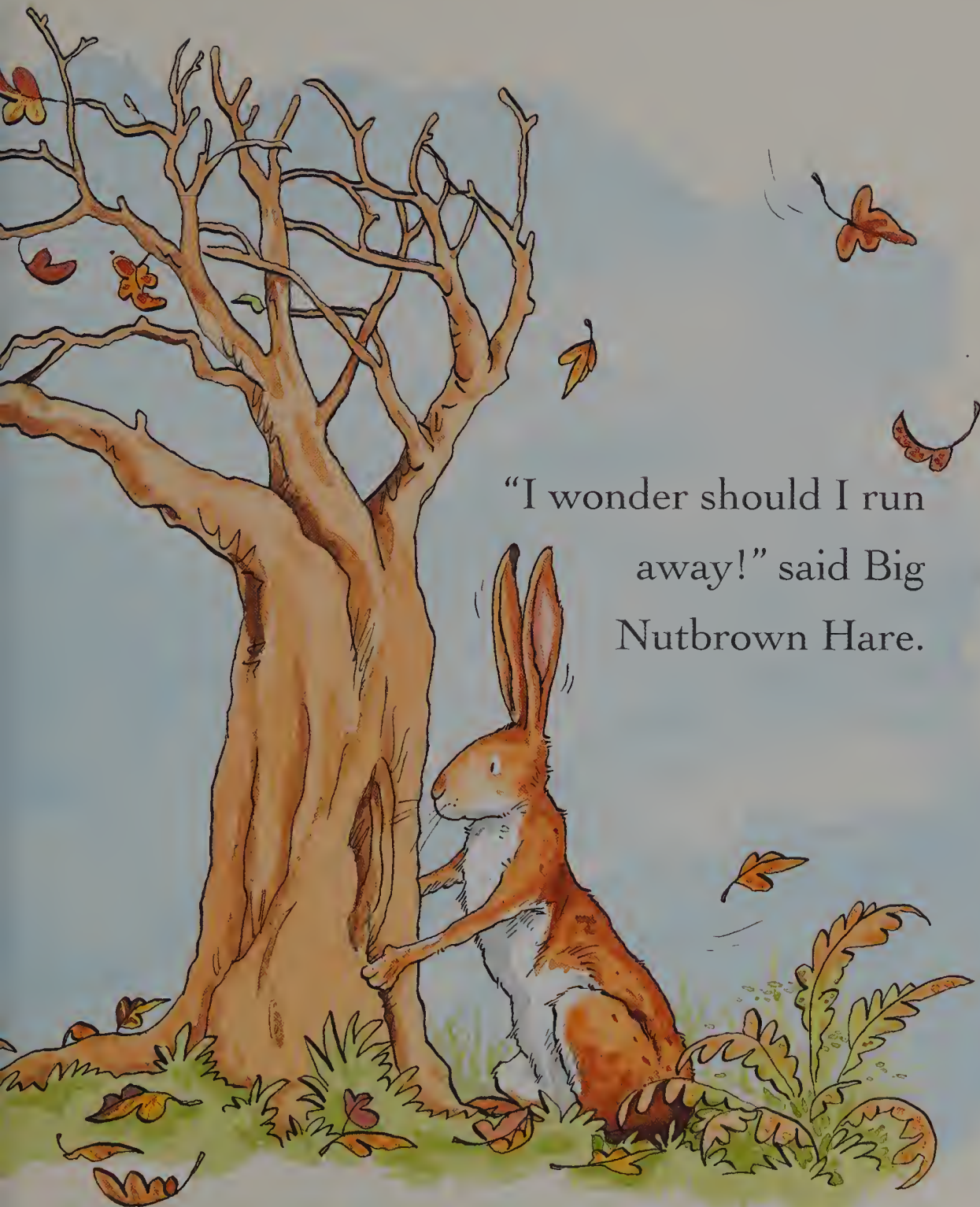




The box, or the monster –  
or maybe the box monster –  
took two hops forward.

“Here I come!” roared the box,  
hopping its biggest hop yet,  
and Big Nutbrown Hare  
jumped behind the tree.





"I wonder should I run  
away!" said Big  
Nutbrown Hare.

“No!” shouted the box, which suddenly  
flew into the air. “It’s only me!”

And there was Little  
Nutbrown Hare,  
who could hardly  
stop laughing.



“You’re not a monster,”  
said Big Nutbrown Hare.

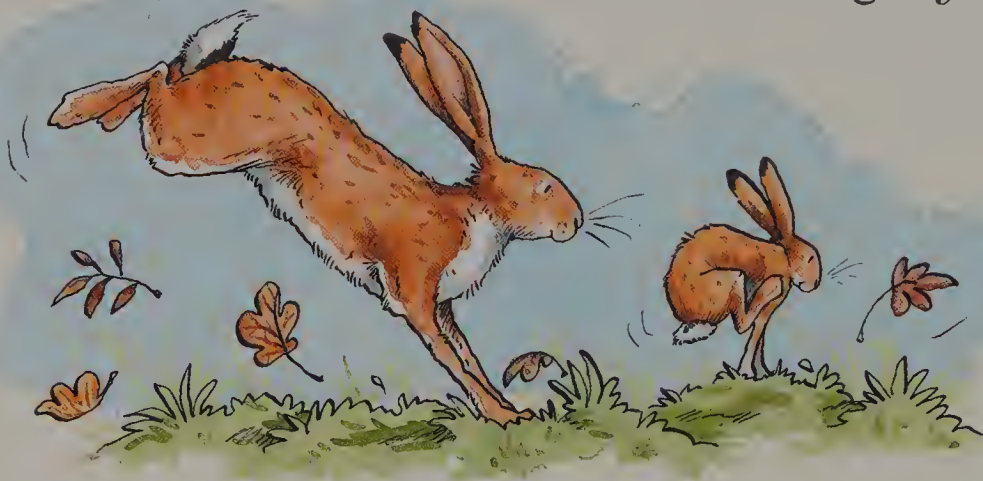
“But guess what.”

“What?”





“I’m a big nutbrown monster –  
and I’m coming to  
get you!”









And so he did.



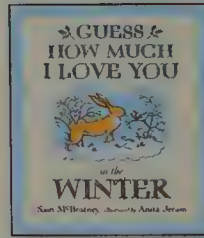
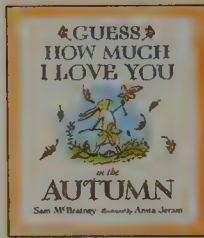
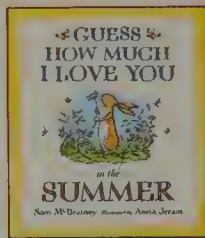
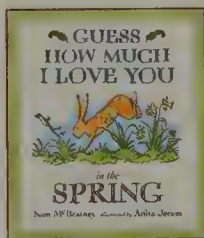
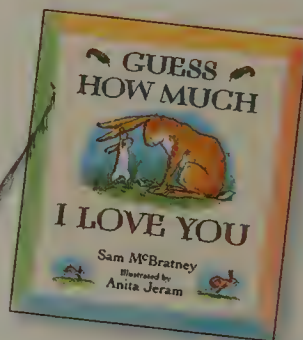






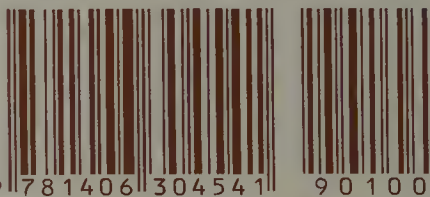
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